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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

For the concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents the Examiner is referred to the accompanying English abstracts, and to the International Search Report issued in the corresponding International Application No. PCT/EP2004/010195, a copy of which is enclosed. Also enclosed are copies each of the International Preliminary Report on Patentability, issued February, 8, 2006, and of an English translation.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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